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FOREWORD

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N O I S E

France *Article/Source Title:* "Oct 24, 1959 Decree Concerning the Establishment of the Central Commission for the Prevention of Noise." *Journal officiel de la Republique francaise.* *Control No. 00895*
Date/Place of Publication: Oct 29, 1959, Paris
Pages: 10298-99 *Language:* French
Source Repository: EPA

The Central Commission for the Prevention of Noise has as its mission the promotion of all legislative and regulatory measures designed to diminish noise, especially in built-up areas. This Decree lists the members of the Commission and the various organizations which they represent.

France *Article/Source Title:* "Oct 25, 1962 Order Concerning the Measurement of Noise Produced by Motor Vehicles." *Journal officiel de la Republique francaise.* *Control No. 00896*
Date/Place of Publication: Nov 15, 1962, Paris
Pages: 11102-04 *Language:* French
Source Repository: EPA

Article 1 of this Order contains a table listing the maximum permissible sound levels for various types of motor vehicles. Article 2 stipulates that measurements of motor vehicle noise be carried out by a laboratory approved by the Minister of Public Works and Transportation. Article 3 deals with standards for the production and maintenance of silencing devices, and Article 4 requires the proper maintenance of exhaust control devices. Article 5 prohibits loud roaring of engines as well as tampering with exhaust devices in order to increase noise level. Article 6 specifies to what extent the provisions of the Order apply to new automobiles and to those already in operation. Appended to the Order is a list of specifications on the measurement of motor vehicle noise. Sections deal with apparatuses, conditions and methods for testing, and the interpretation of results. A further section deals with tests to be run on replacement silencing devices.

N O I S E

France	<i>Article/Source Title:</i> "Circular Letter 66 S.S. of May 15, 1963: Implementation of Decree 63-405, Apr 10, 1963, on Prevention of and Compensation for Industrial Accidents." <u>Hygiene et securite</u>, 11th ed. J. Pluyette, comp. <i>Date/Place of Publication:</i> 1971, Paris <i>Pages:</i> 999-1000 <i>Language:</i> French <i>Source Repository:</i> EPA	<i>Control</i> <i>No.</i> <u>00890</u>
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This Circular Letter, which refers to Table 42 of the "Decree No. 63-405 of Apr 10, 1963, on Prevention of and Compensation for Industrial Accidents," contains general observations on the importance of noise control and suggests several measures for combatting noise in industrial situations, among which are: diminishing sound intensity through the use of sound-proofing material; limiting noises and vibrations to a fixed area; and installing barriers to prevent sound from spreading. The Letter further states that, because of the high expenses involved in putting the recommended measures into effect, the Regional Offices of the National Health Service are authorized to grant assistance at low rates of interest to businesses which find it necessary to take such steps. The role of the National Health Service in preventing and making compensation for occupational diseases is also stressed.

France	<i>Article/Source Title:</i> "Apr 18, 1969 Decree No. 69-380, Concerning Sound Insulation of Machinery Used on Outdoor Work Sites." <u>Hygiene et securite</u>, 11th ed. J. Pluyette, comp. <i>Date/Place of Publication:</i> 1971, Paris <i>Page:</i> 1272 <i>Language:</i> French <i>Source Repository:</i> EPA	<i>Control</i> <i>No.</i> <u>00894</u>
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By this Decree the Minister of Social Affairs, the Minister of the Interior, the Minister of Equipment and Housing, and the Minister of Industry are given the responsibility for setting standards and issuing orders regarding the use of sound insulation for machinery used on outdoor work sites.

Germany Fed Rep of	<i>Article/Source Title:</i> "Apr 24, 1926 International Agreement (RGB1 1930, S. 1233) on Motor Vehicle Traffic -- Excerpts." <u>Handbuch des Laermschutzes</u>: 30 080. Eberhard Gossrau, et al, comps. <i>Date/Place of Publication:</i> Dec 1969, West Germany <i>Page:</i> 1 <i>Language:</i> German <i>Source Repository:</i> EPA	<i>Control</i> <i>No.</i> <u>00911</u>
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This Agreement stipulates, among other things, that motor vehicles engaged in travel across national boundaries must be operationally safe to the extent that the danger of fire or explosion is excluded to the degree possible, that no other danger for others arises, and that neither fright nor severe inconvenience to others occurs from noise, smoke, or odor.

NOISE

Germany Fed Rep of (Control No. 00911) *continued:*

Further, the Agreement requires that these motor vehicles be equipped with exhaust mufflers and with pleasant-sounding warning devices of sufficient loudness.

Germany Fed Rep of See *WATER* (Germany Fed Rep of) -- Control No. 01014

<i>Great Britain</i>	<i>Article/Source Title:</i> "Injury to Health and Comfort." <i>The Laws of England</i>, 3d ed., v. 28. Earl of Halsbury, et al. <i>Date/Place of Publication:</i> 1959, London <i>Pages:</i> 136-138 <i>Language:</i> English <i>Source Repository:</i> EPA	<i>Control No.</i> <u>00880</u>
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This section describes the general principles of laws on nuisance and particular provisions on noise and vibrations. Activities which infringe on the right of neighbors to "comfortable and healthful enjoyment" of the premises are declared a nuisance. An injunction will be granted against any activity which is judged to be a nuisance according to existing community standards. Noise caused by temporary construction projects conducted with reasonable precaution is not a nuisance. Besides civil proceedings for an injunction, other legal remedies for control of excessive noise and vibrations include: indictment for misdemeanor or summary prosecution for violation of local ordinances; in case of motor vehicles, prosecution for offenses relating to mufflers, warning devices of excessive noisiness; for aircraft, prosecution for contravention of statutory regulations. The nuisance provisions apply also to other types of pollution.

<i>Japan</i>	<i>Article/Source Title:</i> "Aug 1, 1967 Law No. 110 on Noise Abatement in the Vicinity of Public Airports." Kogaiho handobuk. Kanazawa Yoshio, ed. <i>Date/Place of Publication:</i> 1969, Tokyo <i>Pages:</i> 705-706 <i>Language:</i> Japanese <i>Source Repository:</i> EPA	<i>Control No.</i> <u>00877</u>
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This Law is designed to protect the health of persons living in the vicinity of public airports by reducing the noise originating from aircraft in such areas and by providing for indemnity and other compensations in the case of injury caused by the frequent takeoff and landing of aircraft. When he deems it necessary, the Minister of Transportation may prescribe public notice navigational standards for takeoff and landing, flight times, and other matters relating to air navigation. Builders of specified airports, including the Tokyo International Airport, are obliged to participate wholly or partially in the subsidizing efforts of local governments to reduce the effect of noise caused by airports on schools, hospitals, and clinics located nearby. The builder of a specified airport is also obliged to subsidize partially the construction by local governments of public recreation centers to alleviate the effects of aircraft noise.

PESTICIDES

Great Britain

Article/Source Title: "Protection of Animals Act, 1911, 1 and 2 Geo. 5, c. 27, as amended."

Halsbury's Statutes of England, 3d ed., v. 2.

Date/Place of Publication: 1968, London

Pages: 229-239

Language: English

Source Repository: EPA

Control
No. 00641

Among the provisions of this Act are those prohibiting the administering of poisonous substances to animals and the placing of these substances with the intent to destroy insects or rodents without taking reasonable precautions to prevent injury to domestic animals and birds.

Great
Britain

Article/Source Title: "Diseases of Animals Act,
1950, 14 Geo. 6, c. 36." Halsbury's Statutes of
England, 3d ed., v. 2.

England, 3d ed., v. 2.

Date/Place of Publication: 1968, London

Pages: 307-325; 343; 359-360; 363-365

Language: English

Source Repository: EPA

Control
No. 00642

This Act deals with the disinfection and treatment of diseased animals. Under its provisions, the Minister may prescribe the proper disinfection of clothing worn by persons working near diseased animals, the cleansing of any infected area, and the disinfection of enclosures used by animals and poultry.

Great
Britain

Article/Source Title: "The Diseases of Animals
(Approved Disinfectants) Order 1970, No. 1372."
Statutory Instruments 1970, Part III, Sec. 1.

Statutory Instruments 1970, Part III, Sec. 1.

Date/Place of Publication: 1971, London

Pages: 4599-4602

Language: English

Source Repository: EPA

Control
No. 00644

This Order requires that the disinfectants on the approved list be diluted by proportions specified on the appended Schedule. (This Schedule has been replaced by the 1972 Order.) The containers of disinfectants must be labeled as the Minister may direct. Additionally, the Order requires that any person using a disinfectant must submit a sample of the disinfectant to an inspector for testing.

Great
Britain

Article/Source Title: "The Diseases of Animals
(Approved Disinfectants) (Amendment) Order 1972,
No. 242." Statutory Instruments 1972, Part I,
Sec. 1.

No. 242." Statutory Instruments 1972, Part I

Date/Place of Publication: 1972, London

Pages: 846-855

Language: English

Source Repository: EPA

Control
No. 00643

This Order, amending the 1970 Approved Disinfectants Order, substitutes a new Schedule listing the dilution proportions required for approved disinfectants. The Order also lists those disinfectants to be used under the poultry pests order.

P E S T I C I D E S

Germany

Fed Rep of See WATER (*Germany Fed Rep of*) -- Control No. 01014

Japan

Article/Source Title: "Enforcement Regulation of the Agricultural Chemicals Control Law." Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry Ordinance No. 21, Apr 20, 1951 as amended by Ordinance No. 55. *Control No. 00598*
Date/Place of Publication: 1971, Tokyo
Pages: 325-327 *Language:* Japanese
Source Repository: EPA

The Regulations, as amended on Jul 1, 1971, specify the forms required for the registry of pesticides, the fees to be paid, and the proper procedures for labeling pesticides.

Japan

Article/Source Title: "Enforcement Order of the Agricultural Chemicals Control Law." Cabinet Order No. 56, Mar 30, 1971, as amended by Order No. 368, Dec 10, 1971. *Control No. 00599*
Date/Place of Publication: 1971, Tokyo
Pages: 327-330 *Language:* Japanese
Source Repository: EPA

This Order designates three types of agricultural chemicals which can cause the pollution of crops, soil, or water. It also describes the method of determining which public waterways are subject to the Governor's approval for the use of agricultural chemicals.

Netherlands

Article/Source Title: "Nov 19, 1938 Decree (Stb. 872) on Factory and Workshop Safety, as amended." Veiligheidswet 1934. W.J. 't Hoen and I.L. Rikmenspoel, comp. *Control No. 00610*
Date/Place of Publication: 1971, Zwolle
Pages: 80-83; 136-139; 162-165
Language: Dutch *Source Repository:* EPA

Articles 1, 92-97, 181, 183, 184 and 187 of this Decree implement the 1934 Law on Industrial Safety. Its provisions are concerned with safety in the chemical industry; measures necessary to prevent the discharge and dispersion of toxic or disagreeable vapors, gases, and dusts; and the prevention of occupational or accidental poisoning.

R A D I A T I O N

Canada

Article/Source Title: "Department of National Health and Welfare Act, as amended." Can Rev. Stat., c. N-9 (1970), v. 5. *Control No. 00698*
Date/Place of Publication: 1970, Ottawa
Pages: 5333-5336 *Languages:* English/French
Source Repository: EPA

The Minister appointed by commission under the Great Seal presides over the Department of Health and Welfare, and his duties, powers and

R A D I A T I O N

Canada (Control No. 00698) continued:

functions extend to and include all matters relating to the promotion or preservation of health. The Governor in Council may establish such boards, committees and councils as he deems necessary to assist and advise the Minister and to cooperate with provincial authorities for the purpose of this Act. (The Radiation Protection Division was so established, and it is one of the health authorities mentioned in the Atomic Energy Control Regulations.) The Governor in Council may make regulations and impose penalties for the failure to obey the regulations by way of a fine not exceeding \$200 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months, enforceable upon summary conviction. This Act was amended by SOR/70/517, 104 Can. Gaz. Pt. II, 1414 (Dec 23, 1970) and Can. Rev. Stat., c. 14, (2d Supp. 1970).

<i>Canada</i>	<i>Article/Source Title:</i> "Radiation Emitting Devices Regulations." SOR/72-43, 106 Can. Gaz. Pt. II, 266 (Mar 8, 1972) amended by SOR/72-222, 106 Can. Gaz. Pt. II, 966 (Jul 12, 1972). <i>Date/Place of Publication:</i> Mar 8, 1972, Ottawa <i>Pages:</i> 266-271 <i>Languages:</i> English/French <i>Source Repository:</i> EPA	<i>Control</i> <i>No. 00707</i>
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These Regulations, issued under the 1970 Radiation Emitting Devices Act, place television receivers and extra-oral dental x-ray equipment in the classes of devices to be regulated. The standards for regulating these classes of equipment are appended to the Regulations as Schedules A and B. The inspector who seizes a device or component may keep it until he can ascertain whether it complies with the prescribed standards. The inspector must maintain a written record of the particulars of his deposition of the device or its component.

<i>France</i>	<i>Article/Source Title:</i> "Order of Apr 24, 1970, Relating to Electric Generators of Ionizing Radiation to be Used for Medical Purposes." <i>Journal Officiel de la Republique Francaise.</i> <i>Date/Place of Publication:</i> May 29, 1970, Paris <i>Page:</i> 5004 <i>Language:</i> French <i>Source Repository:</i> EPA	<i>Control</i> <i>No. 00675</i>
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This Order stipulates that the installation of electric generators of ionizing radiation for medical purposes, which employ more than 500 KeV of energy, is subject to preliminary authorization from the Minister of Public Health, to be granted after consultation with the National Commission for Hospital Establishments. An appendix details the manner in which application for such authorization must be made.

R A D I A T I O N

France Article/Source Title: "Public Health Code." Codes
de la securite sociale, de la sante publique, de
la mutualite, de la famille et de l'aide sociale,
6th ed. Control
No. 00678
Date/Place of Publication: 1970, Paris
Pages: 325; 926-927; 1010-1013
Language: French Source Repository: EPA

Articles L. 44-1 to L. 44-3 apply to the marketing, use and storage of natural radioactive elements and restrict their use on the human body to diagnostic or therapeutic medical purposes. Articles L. 631 to L. 640 place restrictions on the use of artificial radioactive elements and set up an Interministerial Commission to make decisions relating to the use of such elements. Articles R. 5230 to R. 5238 detail the composition, administration and functions of the Interministerial Commission.

Germany
Fed Rep of See WATER (Germany Fed Rep of) -- Control No. 01014

Great Article/Source Title: "Atomic Energy Act 1946,
Britain 9 & 10 Geo. c. 80." Halsbury's Statutes of
England, 3d ed., v. 37. Control
No. 00768
Date/Place of Publication: 1972, London
Pages: 369-385 Language: English
Source Repository: EPA

This Act establishes it as the duty of the Minister of Supply (now the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry) to promote and control the development of atomic energy. The Secretary may obtain any land or water rights connected with the mining of minerals used in the production of atomic energy and may prohibit the acquisition, production, treatment, possession, use, disposal, export or import of any of the involved minerals except by license.

Great Article/Source Title: "Atomic Energy Act 1954,
Britain 2 & 3 Eliz. 2, c. 32." Halsbury's Statutes of
England, 3d ed., v. 37. Control
No. 00767
Date/Place of Publication: 1972, London
Pages: 386-399 Language: English
Source Repository: EPA

This Act, as amended by the 1959 Atomic Energy Act, establishes the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority. In its powers to purchase lands and carry out works, the Authority must make certain that no ionizing radiation from any waste discharged, in whatever form, causes injury to any person or damage to any property.

R A D I A T I O N

Netherlands Article/Source Title: "Netherlands: Protection
Against Ionizing Radiation." International
Digest of Health Legislation, v. 14. World
Health Organization. *Control*
No. 00737
Date/Place of Publication: 1963, Geneva, Switzerland
Pages: 659-675 *Language:* English
Source Repository: EPA

This article summarizes the major provisions of Law No. 82 of Feb 21, 1963 embodying regulations on the production of nuclear energy and the use of radioactive substances and apparatus emitting ionizing radiation. It also presents a full English-language translation of the Mar 18, 1963 Safety Decree (Stb. 98) on Ionizing Radiation. Its major subdivisions are concerned with definitions, the prevention of accidents, contamination and occupational diseases, and the duties of workers.

Netherlands Article/Source Title: "Protection Against Ionizing
Radiations: Netherlands." International Digest
of Health Legislation, v. 22, no. 4. World
Health Organization. *Control*
No. 00736
Date/Place of Publication: 1971, Geneva, Switzerland
Pages: 785-797 *Language:* English
Source Repository: EPA

This article summarizes Dutch legislation on protection from ionizing radiation, citing each individual law, amendment, and decree. Topically arranged, the article covers the competent authorities, the advisory bodies, the overall control system in the field of nuclear energy, and the use of radioactive substances and equipment emitting ionizing radiation (within the context of the Nuclear Energy Law), penal legislation, general rules for radiation protection from the standpoint of occupational safety and medical surveillance of workers, special provisions applicable to radioactive substances and to equipment emitting ionizing radiation, control of radioactive pollution of the environment as well as the transport of radioactive materials, food irradiation, and radiation protection in medical establishments.

S O L I D W A S T E

Canada Article/Source Title: "National Harbors Board By-
Law A-1." SOR Cons./1955, v. 3. *Control*
No. 00840
Date/Place of Publication: 1955, Ottawa
Pages: 2252-2254 *Language:* English
Source Repository: EPA

Section 4 of this Law prohibits anyone from causing or failing to do anything which may bring about an encumbrance of the water or shore of any harbor or an obstruction or danger to navigation in the harbor. It further provides that nothing shall be thrown, drained or discharged into the water, allowed to come into contact with the water, or deposited anywhere within the limits of the harbor, which may damage vessels or property or

SOLID WASTE

Canada (Control No. 00840) *continued*:

cause any nuisance or endanger life or health. The Section exempts ballast or rubbish only when the Harbor Board assigns disposal sites.

<i>Canada</i>	<i>Article/Source Title:</i> "Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act." <u>Can. Rev. Stat. c. 0-4 (1970); amended by 1st Supp. 1970, c. 30; 2d Supp. 1970, c. 10.</u> <i>Date/Place of Publication:</i> 1970, Ottawa <i>Pages:</i> 5613-5643 <i>Languages:</i> English/French <i>Source Repository:</i> EPA	<i>Control</i> <i>No.</i> <u>00844</u>
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The Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development is the administrative officer for this Act which applies to oil and gas in the Yukon Territory and the Northwest Territory. The Act provides that the Governor in Council may make regulations for the prevention of wastes, both ordinary wastes and wastes as understood in the oil and gas industry. The Chief Conservation Officer, appointed by the Minister, may order the cessation of operations causing wastes or the take-over of control and management of works causing wastes. Similarly, he may institute proceedings to prevent oil-and-gas industry wastes. Any person or his employee who commits an offense under this Act is liable on summary conviction to a fine of not more than \$1000, to six months imprisonment, or to both.

Canada *See WATER (Canada) -- Control No. 00842*

<i>Germany</i> <i>Fed Rep of</i>	<i>Article/Source Title:</i> "Baden-Wuerttemberg Law of Dec 21, 1971 (GB1. 1972 S. 1) on the Disposal of Waste (Excerpts)." <u>Umweltrecht: Raum und Natur (Mu/B-W: 4715).</u> W. Burhenne, comp. <i>Date/Place of Publication:</i> 1972, West Berlin <i>Pages:</i> 11-19 <i>Language:</i> German <i>Source Repository:</i> EPA	<i>Control</i> <i>No.</i> <u>00803</u>
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This Law is designed to insure that solid wastes will be disposed of in such a manner as not to impair the welfare of the general public nor to prejudice the health of man or animal. Provisions cover the obligation to dispose of waste, disposal facilities, planning procedures, monitoring, and violations and penalties.

<i>Germany</i> <i>Fed Rep of</i>	<i>Article/Source Title:</i> "Hamburg Law of Jul 8, 1971 (GVBl. - HBG I S. 129) on Waste Disposal Procedures." <u>Umweltrecht: Raum und Natur (Mu/HBG: 4740).</u> W. Burhenne, comp. <i>Date/Place of Publication:</i> 1972, West Berlin <i>Pages:</i> 11-15 <i>Language:</i> German <i>Source Repository:</i> EPA	<i>Control</i> <i>No.</i> <u>00804</u>
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This Law, designed to assure that solid wastes are so disposed of as not to endanger the health of man or animal nor to disrupt public

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Germany Fed Rep of (Control No. 00804) *continued:*

safety, covers the area of validity, procedures for waste disposal, waste disposal installations, monitoring by competent authorities, and violations.

Germany

Fed Rep of See *WATER (Germany Fed Rep of)* -- Control No. 01014

*Great
Britain*

Article/Source Title: "Removal and Disposal of
Vehicles Regulations 1968, No. 43." Statutory
Instruments 1968, Part I, Sec. 1.

*Control
No. 00848*

Date/Place of Publication: 1968, London

Pages: 96-108 *Language:* English

Source Repository: EPA

These Regulations declare that a constable may arrange for the removal of any vehicle left on a road or other land without lawful authority. The Regulations include a Schedule showing the form of notice that must be given the owner of the land where the vehicle rests. The owner of the land has 15 days in which to object to the removal. If a vehicle is to be destroyed, a notice to that effect must be attached to the vehicle for seven days prior to its removal. These Regulations also describe the procedures for attempting to find the owner of the abandoned vehicle and the system of charges for the removal, storage and disposal of abandoned vehicles.

Japan

Article/Source Title: "Sep 23, 1971 Enforcement
of the Waste Disposal and Cleaning Law." Cabinet
Order No. 300

*Control
No. 00822*

Date/Place of Publication: Sep 23, 1971, Tokyo

Pages: 156-165 *Language:* Japanese

Source Repository: EPA

This Cabinet Order designates 13 items as industrial wastes. It also delineates various control standards for general and industrial wastes with respect to their collection, transportation and disposal and to maintenance standards for disposal devices.

Japan

Article/Source Title: "Sep 23, 1971 Enforcement
Regulation of the Waste Disposal and Cleaning
Law." Ministry of Health and Welfare Ordinance
No. 35.

*Control
No. 00823*

Date/Place of Publication: Sep 23, 1971, Tokyo

Pages: 166-177 *Language:* Japanese

Source Repository: EPA

This Regulation deals with the standards for maintenance, cleaning, and storage of industrial waste disposal devices; notification relating to these devices; criteria for the granting of a permit to an industrial waste disposal business; and qualifications for a position as a local environmental hygiene officer and as a technical superintendent in charge of general or industrial waste disposal facilities.

W A T E R

Belgium *Article/Source Title:* "Police Regulations on Navigation in Belgian Sea Waters and Ports." Bulletin usuel des lois et arretes, v. 14. *Control No. 00462*
Date/Place of Publication: 1930, Brussels
Page: 764 *Language:* French
Source Repository: EPA

Article 11, paragraph 2(a) of this Decree of Jan 22, 1929, prohibits the throwing, depositing, permitting to float on, or discharging into the waters of ports, their tributaries, or the Belgian sea waters, of any object which may touch bottom, disturb navigation or hinder the free flow of those waters, or which may discharge any material or liquid, especially oil or any residues, that may pollute the shorelines.

Belgium *Article/Source Title:* "Pollution of the Sea Through Hydrocarbons." Les codes et les lois speciales les plus usuelles, 32d ed., v. 2. *Control No. 00463*
Date/Place of Publication: 1969, Brussels
Pages: 887-890 *Language:* French
Source Repository: EPA

This Decree of Nov 29, 1967 implements the provisions of the Law of Jul 4, 1962, and states in detail the obligations imposed on vessels for the avoiding of pollution of the sea.

Canada *Article/Source Title:* "National Harbours Board Act." Can. Rev. Stat. c. N-8 (1970). *Control No. 00842*
Date/Place of Publication: 1970, Ottawa
Pages: 5309-5327 *Languages:* English/French
Source Repository: EPA

This Act, as amended by c. 16 of the Expropriations Act, 1st Supplement (1970), provides that the Minister named by the Governor in Council to administer this Act shall appoint a National Harbors Board with jurisdiction and control over certain designated harbors. The Governor in Council may make by-laws for the direction and management of the Board and the administration of these harbors. The Board may use reasonable force to execute the by-laws when violation thereof may cause danger or annoyance to the public or obstruct the operation of a harbor. (From this power the Board derives authority to prevent the discharge of wastes and rubbish into harbor waters.)

Canada *Article/Source Title:* "Navigable Waters Protection Act." Can. Rev. Stat. c. N-19 (1970). *Control No. 00513*
Date/Place of Publication:
Pages: 5525-5526; 5530-5535
Languages: English/French *Source Repository:* EPA

Sections of this Act prohibit the deposit of rubbish, the waste products of logging, or any other material into navigable waters or their tributaries when there are not at least 20 fathoms of water present at all times.

W A T E R

Canada (Control No. 00513) *continued*:

The Governor in Council may declare waters exempt from this ban after satisfying himself that the public interest is not impaired. Provisions of this Act are the administrative responsibility of the Minister of Transport.

Canada See *SOLID WASTE* (Canada) -- Control No. 00840

Finland See *GENERAL* (Finland) -- Control No. 00961

France *Article/Source Title*: "Decree on the Administration and Classification of Waters and the Prevention of Pollution." *Journal officiel de la Republique francaise: Regime de l'eau.* *Control No.* 00441
Date/Place of Publication: 1970, Paris
Pages: 383-401 *Language*: French
Source Repository: EPA

This Law No. 64-1245 of Dec 16, 1964, seeks to prevent water pollution and restore the purity of waters. It prohibits the discharge into the sea of materials of any kind, particularly industrial wastes harmful to public health. The Law empowers departments and communes to undertake the study, construction, and operation of all public works necessary for the control of water pollution. It makes mandatory the establishment of a river basin committee and a financial agency for each river basin or group of basins. The Law also provides that a public administration office be charged with the control of water pollution and be held strictly accountable for the efficacy of its control operations.

Germany *Article/Source Title*: *Betrifft: Umweltprogramm* *Control*
Fed Rep of *der Bundesregierung* (Concerns the Environment *No.* 01014
Program of the Federal Government), No. 9 in the
Series "Betrifft." Federal Ministry of the
Interior.
Date/Place of Publication: Oct 1971, Bonn
Pages: 1-88 *Language*: German
Source Repository: EPA

This publication, part of a series titled "Betrifft" and put out by the Federal Republic of Germany Interior Ministry, treats in detail the various facets of the Government's environmental protection program initiated in 1970. It covers the entire range of environmental problems and threats and deals with the solutions being sought and applied by the Government in conjunction with science, industry and other groups. Main topics in this publication are: environmental chemicals and biocides; water, coastal waters and high seas; air and noise pollution; and radioactive wastes. An appendix contains a list of the Federal Republic's environmental legislation and of its cost to the Government. There is also a glossary of environmental terms.

W A T E R

Great Britain	<i>Article/Source Title:</i> <u>Report of a River Pollution Survey of England and Wales, 1970, v. 1. Dept of the Environment -- The Welsh Office.</u> <i>Date/Place of Publication:</i> 1971, London <i>Pages:</i> 1-39 <i>Language:</i> English <i>Source Repository:</i> EPA	<i>Control No.</i> <u>00976</u>
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This report, the first of two volumes, presents findings of the River Pollution Survey, which was conducted in collaboration with the river authorities and is believed to be the most comprehensive of its kind ever undertaken. It includes information on river quality and on those lengths of river which could be used as sources of future public water supplies. Rivers are classified by chemical criteria (four classes of pollution seriousness) and assessed in biological terms (four classes according to type of life which they support). The text also contains a discussion of the administration of pollution control and numerous tables and graphs concerning the classifications. Accompanying the text are ten large foldout sectional maps resulting from the Survey; samples of the nine forms used are also included. One major finding of the Survey was that over three quarters of the lengths of river in the area surveyed are free from pollution.

Great Britain	<i>Article/Source Title:</i> "The Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Act, 1923, 13 & 14 Geo. 5, c. 16." <u>Halsbury's Statutes of England, 3d ed., v. 13.</u> <i>Date/Place of Publication:</i> 1969, London <i>Pages:</i> 760-761; 798 <i>Language:</i> English <i>Source Repository:</i> EPA	<i>Control No.</i> <u>00571</u>
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Section 8 makes it an offense for a person to put into any water containing fish anything which would be injurious to the fish or the fishes' food. Section 59(p) allows the fishery board to make by-laws to regulate the deposit of any matter into waters containing fish.

Great Britain	<i>Article/Source Title:</i> "The Secretary of State for Wales and Minister of Land Natural Resources Order, 1965." <u>Statutory Instruments 1965, No. 319.</u> <i>Date/Place of Publication:</i> 1965, London <i>Pages:</i> 785, 796 <i>Language:</i> English <i>Source Repository:</i> EPA	<i>Control No.</i> <u>00575</u>
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This order transfers the following from the Minister of Housing and Local Government to the Secretary of State: (1) functions under the Water Acts 1945, 1948, and 1958 as applied to Wales; (2) functions under the Water Resources Act, 1963. Schedule I, Part i lists the acts with functions which are transferred, including the Alkali, Etc., Works Regulation Act, 1906, the Public Health Act, 1936, Clean Air Act, 1956, and the Clean Rivers (Estuaries and Tidal Waters) Act, 1960.

W A T E R

Great Britain *Article/Source Title:* "The Secretary of State for the Environment Order, 1970." Statutory Instruments 1970, No. 1681. *Control No.* 00584
Date/Place of Publication: 1971, London
Pages: 5554, 5558 *Language:* English
Source Repository: EPA

This order transfers the functions of the Minister of Housing and Local Government to the Secretary of State. Schedule I provides that the Secretary of State for the Environment is to take over the functions formerly handled by the Minister of Housing and Local Government under the Waters Act, 1945 and 1948 and the Water Resources Act, 1963. Section 9 describes the exact sections of the Water Acts, 1945 and 1948 affected by the administrative change.

Great Britain *Article/Source Title:* "The Water Resources Act, 1963, c. 38." Halsbury's Statutes of England, 3d ed., v. 39. *Control No.* 00555
Date/Place of Publication:
Pages: 230, 235, 306-314 *Language:* English
Source Repository: EPA

This act establishes the river authorities and a water resources board, and transfers to the river authorities the function under the Rivers (Prevention of Pollution) Act, 1951 to 1961. Section 72 makes it illegal to discharge polluting matter into any underground strata without the consent of the river authority, which may grant such consent subject to any reasonable conditions concerning the nature of discharge, protective measures to be taken and provisions for inspection and maintenance. Section 74, however, provides that the consent of the authority may be varied or revoked subject to appeal to the Secretary of State for the Environment. The authority is granted power to proceed with any means to remove the cause of pollution due to an accident or unforeseen event. It may also make agreements with the local sewerage authority to transfer outlets at the authority's expense. Authorities are empowered to make bylaws to protect waters against pollution, including the regulation of recreational uses of the waters.

Great Britain *Article/Source Title:* "The Water Resources (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations, 1965, c. 38." Statutory Instruments 1965, No. 1092. *Control No.* 00566
Date/Place of Publication: 1966, London
Pages: 2791-2796 *Language:* English
Source Repository: EPA

These regulations were made by the Minister of Housing and Local Government. They provide procedural steps in appealing decisions of the river authorities relating to the control of underground discharges. The form required for the register of consents is detailed and the schedule provides a form for notice to the river authority of "intention to construct a work for abstraction of water contained in underground strata."

W A T E R

Great Britain *Article/Source Title:* "The Water Resources Act, 1971, c. 34." Halsbury's Statutes of England, 3d ed., v. 41. *Control No.* 00581
Date/Place of Publication: 1972, London
Pages: 2284-2289 *Language:* English
Source Repository: EPA

This act is a supplement to the Water Resources Act, 1963, c. 38. The Secretary of State for the Environment may authorize the river authority to "discharge water into any inland water or underground strata." River authorities and legally authorized water suppliers may make agreements concerning the "discharge of water from any works," subject to the consent of the Secretary of State for the Environment. The schedule to this act lists the procedural steps to be followed by the river authority in order to secure permission for additional discharge points. Any person who is damaged by reason of discharge of water in pursuance to an order under this act is entitled to compensation by the river authority.

G E N E R A L

Canada *Article/Source Title:* Environment Canada: Its Organization and Objectives *Control No.* 00942
Date/Place of Publication: 1971, Ottawa
Pages: 1-14 *Languages:* English/French
Source Repository: EPA

This pamphlet describes the organization and objectives of the Department of the Environment, which officially came into being Jun 11, 1971, following the proclamation of the Government Organization Act, 1970. The six goals of the Department, also known as Environment Canada, are: to carry on established resource programs and services; to clean up and control pollution; to assess and control the environmental impact of major development; to initiate long-term environmental programs; to promote and support international environmental initiatives; to develop an environmental information and education program. The organization of the Department is diagrammed and the functions of the six assistant deputy ministers and the three director generals are reviewed. Brief biographies of the top 11 officials are also presented.

Canada *Article/Source Title:* "Reorganization - Environment Canada." Environment Canada News Release. *Control No.* 00944
Date/Place of Publication: Dec 15, 1972, Ottawa
Pages: 1-4 *Language:* English
Source Repository: EPA

This news release announces the reorganization, effective Jan 1, 1973, of the Department of the Environment, which will have two principal components: (1) Fisheries and Marine Services, and (2) Environmental Services, each headed by a Senior Assistant Deputy Minister. The names of the new officials are given and their functions within the reorganized department are briefly explained. An organization chart is also included.

GENERAL

Canada

Article/Source Title: Environment and the Law.
Date/Place of Publication: Mar 1972, Ottawa
Pages: 1-24 *Language:* English/French
Source Repository: EPA

Control
No. 00979

This pamphlet, prepared by the Information and Consumer Branch of Environment Canada, summarizes environmental jurisdictions and recent federal antipollution legislation in Canada. It discusses the origins and purpose of Environment Canada, a Department created by the federal government in Jun 1971. This Department has the responsibility for initiating government-wide programs and for coordinating efforts related to environmental protection. It also provides specialist advisory services to other departments.

Finland

Article/Source Title: United Nations Conference on Human Environment. Finnish National Report.
Date/Place of Publication: 1972, Helsinki
Pages: 1-64 *Language:* English
Source Repository: EPA

Control
No. 00961

The first part of this report surveys the most important environmental problems in Finland. Under the heading of settlement and urban problems, there are discussions of population trends as well as of air and water pollution from industry and traffic. Treated under the heading of resources management, are chiefly programs dealing with forestry and peatlands; the section on pollution damage considers a system for describing, establishing norms for, and supervising pollution. The second part of the report surveys implemented and planned pollution control measures. These include national acts, agencies, and institutes as well as programs for information and education. Several maps and charts are included.

Japan

Article/Source Title: "Jun 22, 1972 Law No. 85 on Natural Protection." Kampo
Date/Place of Publication: 1972, Tokyo
Pages: 19-25 *Language:* Japanese
Source Repository: EPA

Control
No. 00870

This is the first comprehensive law (58 articles) aimed at the protection of the natural environment under the direction of the Environmental Protection Agency.

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